



Immediately Reportable Accidents and Injuries

800-746-1553



The immediate notification rule [50.10](#) directs you ***first to try to contact the district at all times.*** You should prepare for this by asking the District Manager to provide you with telephone numbers for contacting appropriate district personnel during non-business hours. Using the direct district number during non-business hours **will prompt a pre-recorded message** that will give you the numbers for the MSHA district personnel. The rule goes on to say that if you **cannot contact the district, you must use the 24/7 MSHA headquarters toll-free number,**

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Coal and Metal and Nonmetal District Numbers may be found using [this link](#).

Immediately Reportable Accidents and Injuries are:

1. A death of an individual at a mine;
2. An injury to an individual at a mine which has a reasonable potential to cause death;
3. An entrapment of an individual for more than thirty minutes;
4. An unplanned inundation of a mine by a liquid or gas;
5. An unplanned ignition or explosion of gas or dust;
6. An unplanned mine fire not extinguished within 30 minutes of discovery;
7. An unplanned ignition or explosion of a blasting agent or an explosive;
8. An unplanned roof fall at or above the anchorage zone in active workings where roof bolts are in use; or, an unplanned roof or rib fall in active workings that impairs ventilation or impedes passage;
9. A coal or rock outburst that causes withdrawal of miners or which disrupts regular mining activity for more than one hour;
10. An unstable condition at an impoundment, refuse pile, or culm bank which requires emergency action in order to prevent failure, or which causes individuals to evacuate an area; or, failure of an impoundment, refuse pile, or culm bank;
11. Damage to hoisting equipment in a shaft or slope which endangers an individual or which interferes with use of the equipment for more than thirty minutes; and
12. An event at a mine which causes death or bodily injury to an individual not at the mine at the time the event occurs.